

Jan. 22 deadline approaching to register for 2020 Delaware Wetlands Conference

DOVER – Registration for the 2020 Delaware Wetlands Conference closes Wednesday, Jan. 22, so those who have not yet registered are encouraged to do so now, while spots are still available. Organized by DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship with support from the Division of Climate, Coastal & Energy, the conference will be held Wednesday, Jan. 29 and Thursday, Jan. 30 at the Chase Center on the Riverfront in Wilmington. Online registration and information about the event can be found at <http://de.gov/dewetlandsconference>.

DNREC's Wetland Monitoring and Assessment Program and the Delaware Coastal Training Program have planned a two-day event that showcases the importance of wetlands in Delaware and across the Mid-Atlantic Region. Each day of the conference includes invited speakers, poster sessions, networking time, lunches, and a total of 54 oral and 50 poster presentations. The presentations cover wetland topics related to coastal resilience, soils, beneficial use, monitoring and assessment, remediation, restoration, wildlife, policy/legal aspects, green technology, mitigation, and hydrodynamics.

More than 350 wetland experts and enthusiasts from the Mid-Atlantic region and beyond are expected to gather at the biennial conference to share the latest innovations in wetland research, outreach and conservation programs. The conference brings together scientists, planners, community leaders, educators, and natural resource managers, as well as representatives from county, state and federal government. They will discuss current research on tidal and non-tidal wetlands, the value of the region's wetlands, and the impact their management has on the community.

Featured speakers include special guest DNREC Secretary Shawn M. Garvin to open the conference, Alison Rogerson from DNREC's Wetland Monitoring and Assessment Program, who will address mapping Delaware's 2017 wetlands and the changes that occurred over a decade, and Derek Brockbank, Executive Director of the American Shoreline and Beach Preservation Association, who will address coastal sediment dynamics.

For more information on the 2020 Delaware Wetlands Conference, including the agenda, please visit [Delaware Wetlands Conference](#), or contact Brittany Haywood at Brittany.Haywood@delaware.gov, or 302-739-9939.

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